



Docket No. 42478-7400

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:

Nobukazu Kurauchi et al.

Serial No.: 10/010,782

Filed: 11/05/2001

For: BROADCAST PROGRAM TRANSMISSION/RECEPTION
SYSTEM, METHOD FOR TRANSMITTING/RECEIVING
BROADCAST PROGRAM, RECORDING MEDIUM
THAT IS READABLE TO A COMPUTER ON WHICH
THE PROGRAM IS RECORDED, PAY BROADCAST
SITE, CM INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SITE, AND
VIEWER'S TERMINAL

Examiner:

Group Art Unit: 2161

November 12, 2003

Irvine, California 92614

STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
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Arlington, VA 22313-1459

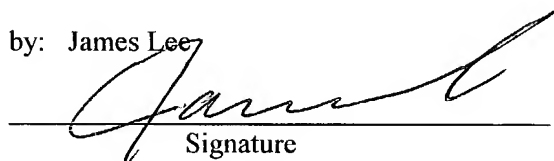
Dear Sir:

I would appreciate being informed of the status of the above-identified case and more particularly, if you could advise me, perhaps by phone conference, as to when we could expect to receive an Office Action on this case.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter. Our client is very interested in the progress on this case.

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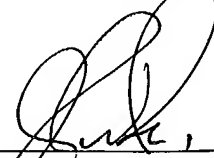


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